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Letter dated 23 January 2018 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith information bulletins from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic for the period 16–23 January 2018 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) V. **Nebenzia**

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Annex to the letter dated 23 January 2018 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (16 January 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported six incidents of gunfire: three in Aleppo Governorate and three in Ladhiqiyah Governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported 10 incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: 7 in Damascus, 2 in Idlib and 1 in Aleppo.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the Nusrah Front terrorist group.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

The Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has not carried out any humanitarian operations over the past 24 hours.

In total, 1,727 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,397.3 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 23 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 68,428 persons.

The safe passage of one United Nations humanitarian convoy was assured to Tall Shihab in Dar'a Governorate. Food and household items with a total cargo weight of 123 tons were delivered to the local population.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, a ceasefire agreement has been signed with Diyabiyah in Homs Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,329.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (17 January 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported six incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: four in Ladhiqiyah, one in Aleppo and one in Homs.

The Turkish representative office has reported five incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: two in Damascus, two in Idlib and one in Aleppo.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the Nusrah Front terrorist group.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out two humanitarian operations: 2.4 tons of food was delivered to the local population of Mu'ardis in Hama Governorate, and 2.4 tons of food was delivered to the local population of Sulaybiyah in Aleppo Governorate.

In total, 1,729 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,402.1 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 27 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 68,455 persons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

No ceasefire agreements have been signed with populated areas over the past 24 hours.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process remains unchanged at 2,329.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (18 January 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported four incidents of gunfire: two in Aleppo Governorate and two in Ladhiqiyah Governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported nine incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: four in Idlib, three in Damascus and two in Dar'a.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the Nusrah Front terrorist group.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out one humanitarian operation at the Russian Cultural Centre in Damascus city. Residents received food, children's clothes and school supplies with a total weight of 3.2 tons.

In total, 1,730 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,405.3 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 183 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 68,638 persons.

The safe passage of one United Nations humanitarian convoy was assured to Tall Shihab in Dar'a Governorate. Food and essential items with a total cargo weight of 110 tons were delivered to the local population.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, one ceasefire agreement has been signed with Tall al-Jijan in Aleppo Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,330.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (19 January 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported three incidents of gunfire in Ladhiqiyah Governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported three incidents in the following Governorates: one in Damascus, one in Idlib and one in Ladhiqiyah.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the Nusrah Front terrorist group.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out one humanitarian operation in Tarin, Homs Governorate. Food with a total cargo weight of 2.4 tons was delivered to the local population.

In total, 1,731 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,407.7 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 34 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 68,672 persons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, one ceasefire agreement has been signed with Duhayrij in Homs Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,331.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (20 January 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported six incidents of gunfire: four in Ladhiqiyah Governorate and two in Aleppo Governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported five incidents of gunfire: three in Idlib Governorate and one in Damascus Governorate.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the Nusrah Front terrorist group.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out one humanitarian operation in Khan al-Sha'r, Aleppo Governorate: 2.5 tons of food was delivered to the local population.

In total, 1,732 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,410.1 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 80 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 68,752 persons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, one ceasefire agreement has been signed with Rasm al-Safa in Aleppo Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,332.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (21 January 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported 10 incidents of gunfire: 7 in Aleppo Governorate and 3 in Ladhiqiyah Governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported two incidents of gunfire: one in Damascus Governorate and one in Dar'a Governorate.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the Nusrah Front terrorist group.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out three humanitarian operations: 2 tons of food was delivered to the local population of Kawm al-Waysiyah in Qunaytirah Governorate; 2.8 tons of food and school supplies were delivered to the local population of Mazra'at Bayt Jinn in Rif Dimashq Governorate; and 2.7 tons of food and school supplies were delivered to the local population of Bayt Jinn in Rif Dimashq Governorate.

In total, 1,735 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,417.6 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 94 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 68,846 persons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

No ceasefire agreements have been signed with populated areas over the past 24 hours.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process remains unchanged at 2,332.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (22 January 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported four incidents of gunfire: three in Ladhiqiyah Governorate and one in Aleppo Governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported five incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: two in Damascus, two in Idlib and one in Dar'a.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the Nusrah Front terrorist group.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out one humanitarian operation in Marrat, Dayr al-Zawr Governorate: 2.4 tons of food was delivered to the local population.

In total, 1,736 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,420 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 18 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 68,864 persons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, four ceasefire agreements have been signed: with Rujm Ayn al-Gharit in Aleppo Governorate; with Kawkab and Shullin in Hama Governorate; and with Amiriyah in Homs Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,336.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (23 January 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported three incidents of gunfire: two in Ladhiqiyah Governorate and one in Aleppo Governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported three incidents of gunfire: two in Damascus Governorate and one in Dar'a Governorate.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the Nusrah Front terrorist group.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out one humanitarian operation: 2.1 tons of food was delivered to the local population.

In total, 1,737 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,422 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 143 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 69,007 persons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

No ceasefire agreements have been signed with populated areas over the past 24 hours.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process remains unchanged at 2,336.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.